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The House met at 10 a.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord God of Heaven and Earth, Your Word charges our human actions so that they may have lasting value. Your spirit transforms human words so that hearts and attitudes change and You alter the course of human events.

Be with us today as we are drawn into the inauguration of George W. Bush as the 43rd President of the United States of America. By Your grace, may the peaceful transition of government today so touch the soul of this Nation that all Your people may stand with confidence, grateful for all the blessings You have brought upon this Nation.

May all of us, from the highest office in this Nation to the weakest hidden in our midst, prove responsible and be renewed in life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as our Constitution promises. May You choose us as Your peaceful and powerful instrument in this world because we choose You to be our Lord and God now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. KILDEE led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Republican Conference, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 21) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 21

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

Budget: Mr. Sununu to rank after Mr. Nussle.

House Administration: Mr. Ney, Chairman. Standards of Official Conduct: Mr. Hefley, Chairman.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 22) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 22

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing Committees of the House of Representatives:

Committee on House Administration: Mr. Hoyer of Maryland;

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Mr. Berman of California.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the President of the United States:

THE WHITE HOUSE,

Washington, DC, January 16, 2001.

Hon. J. Dennis Hastert,

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1105, attached is the Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2002.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

FY 2002 ECONOMIC OUTLOOK—MES-SAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 107-4)

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to submit my FY 2002 Economic Outlook, Highlights from FY 1994 to FY 2001, FY 2002 Baseline Projections. For the benefit of the new Administration and the public, this document includes an economic overview, a technical presentation of current services projections, a programmatic review of the Federal Government that details my Administration's actions over the last eight years, and pending policy proposals that I believe should be the starting point for a new Administration.

THE OUTLOOK IN 1993

To appreciate what we have accomplished in the past eight years, we must take stock of where we were in 1993. When I took office in 1993, economic growth had averaged only 1.7 percent in the four previous years. In

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